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MEMORANDUM FOR BRANCH CHIEF, POLEC BRANCH:

SUBJECT: Evaluation of PACMIR Document.

1. In compliance with the request for an evaluation report from the Economic Panel, China Desk, on PACMIR Document No. 524, the following recommendations are submitted.

2. Material contained in PACMIR Document No. 524 is not of as recent date as some other information already available but does present new details. Its special value proceeds from the delineation made of individual mine fields and the location and identification of separate mines. However, it is believed that the maps would have been more readable, and considerable effort could probably have been saved, had such particulars as provincial boundaries and names, roads, irrelevant place names and most of the rivers been eliminated, since these features do not add materially to the usefulness of the maps.

3. It may prove feasible, where a full transliteration of a map does not appear to warrant the expenditure of effort involved, to have it photostated and distributed with an explanatory key.



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